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For: **GUIDE RECEPTACLE WITH**

TANDEM MOUNTING FEATURES

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FEE FOR CLAIMS The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below: 4. OTHER THAN (Col. 2) (Col. 3) **SMALL ENTITY** (Col. 1) SMALL ENTITY **CLAIMS** REMAINING HIGHEST NO. ADDITIONAL. ADDITIONAL PRESENT AFTER **PREVIOUSLY** OR AMENDMENT PAID FOR **EXTRA** RATE FEE RATE FEE MINUS x \$25.00 = \$ x \$50.00 = \$TOTAL INDEP. MINUS x \$100.00 = \$x \$200.00 = \$= FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM + \$180.00 = \$ + \$360.00 = \$ TOTAL ADDITIONAL TOTAL ADDITIONAL OR FEE \boxtimes No additional fee for Claims is required (a) Total additional fee for claims required \$_____ (b) **FEE PAYMENT** 5. Attached is a check in the sum of \$_ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$_____. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached. FEE DEFICIENCY 6. \boxtimes If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384. AND/OR If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01- \boxtimes 2384. 7. Other:

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated June 13, 2005, and made final, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: